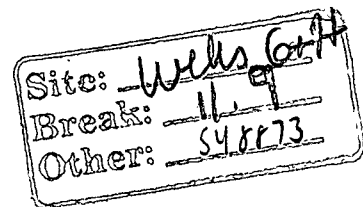




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Re: UniFirst Corporation, Woburn, Massachusetts

Dear Barbara:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of January 27, 1988, ERT will carry out an aquifer test at well UC-22 on the UniFirst property. The aquifer test is currently scheduled for the week of February 22, 1988. The objective and methods of performing this deeper-bedrock aquifer test are given in my letter of January 7, 1988. In addition to the methods described in that letter, ERT will come to an agreement with W. R. Grace Corporation regarding the magnitude of water-level change noted in any of the Grace wells to be monitored that will trigger an immediate cessation of pumping. ERT anticipates that this agreement will minimize, to the extent feasible, the possibility of drawing ground-water from the Grace site towards the UniFirst site.

ERT invites any comments, criticisms or other inputs regarding the execution of this aquifer test. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

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